

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

JAMES MCDONALD,

Plaintiff,

v.

ONEWEST BANK, FSB, *et al.*,

Defendants.

No. C10-1952RSL

ORDER DENYING
MOTION TO WITHDRAW

On October 31, 2012, less than five weeks before the scheduled trial date, attorney Heidi Buck Morrison filed a “Motion for Withdrawal and Substitution of Counsel” in the above-captioned matter. Dkt. # 189. Pursuant to General Rule 2(g)(4)(A), an attorney “will ordinarily be permitted to withdraw until sixty days before the discovery cut off date in a civil case” Discovery in this matter closed on July 27, 2012. Dkt. # 140. Counsel provides no explanation or justification for her belated withdrawal. Permitting a change of counsel at this late date will undoubtedly impact the trial schedule: defendants have, in fact, filed a motion for an extension of the trial date based in part on new counsel’s need to become familiar with the case. Dkt. # 191.

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1 The motion to withdraw is DENIED. Heidi Buck Morrison remains counsel of
2 record for all defendants.

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4 Dated this 1st day of November, 2012.

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6 Robert S. Lasnik

7 United States District Judge
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